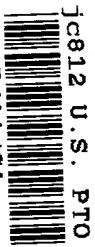


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No. AT9-98-038-US2

Anticipated Classification of this application:

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Prior Application: 09/156,133

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application serial No.09/156,133 of Hung Q. Le et al. (inventors currently of record in prior application) for A MECHANISM FOR SELF-INITIATED INSTRUCTION ISSUING AND METHOD THEREFOR.

- (1) X Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as true copy. (See 8 and 9 for drawing requirements.)
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant claims small entity status (37 C.F.R. 1.27).
- (3) X The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

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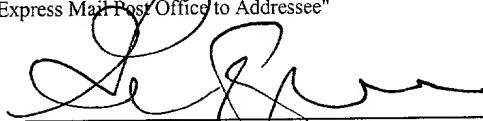
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<u>For</u>	<u>No. filed</u>	<u>No. extra</u>
Total claims*	39	19
Indep. claims*	6	3
<u>Multiple Dependent Claim Presented</u>		

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____ x \$ 9 =	\$ <u>          </u>	or	____ 19 x \$ 18 =	\$ <u>342.00</u>
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+ \$135 =	\$ <u>          </u>	or	+ \$270 =	\$ <u>0.00</u>
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- (4) X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0447 (AT9-98-038-US2). **A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.**
- (5) \_\_\_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- (6) X Cancel in this application original claims 7-9, 18, 20-24 and 36-37 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- (7) X Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a X continuation, \_\_\_\_\_ division of application serial no. 09/156,133 filed September 17, 1998.
- (8) \_\_\_\_\_ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
be used if signed by person authorized by § 1.138 and before  
payment of base issue fee.)

- (9) X New X formal,    informal drawings are enclosed.
- (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Priority of application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(country), is claimed under 35  
U.S.C. 119.
- (11) \_\_\_\_\_ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in  
prior application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.
- (12) X With respect to the prior copending U.S. application from  
which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120  
the inventor(s) in this application are:
- a. X the same
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ less than those named in the  
prior application and it is  
requested that the following  
inventor(s) identified above  
for the prior application be  
deleted:
- c. X The inventorship for all the  
claims in the application are:  
  
X the same  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ not the same, and an  
explanation, including the  
ownership of various claims at  
the time the last claimed  
invention was made, is  
submitted.
- (13) \_\_\_\_\_ The prior application is assigned of record to

(14) X The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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a. \_\_\_\_\_ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

b. X Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the Power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. X Address all future communications to:

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(15) X A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in prior application.)

(16) \_\_\_\_\_ A Supplemental Oath [1.67(b)(1)] for new claims \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

(17) X

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/156,133 as originally filed on September 17, 1998, and that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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